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PAC MEDIA STATEMENT

Official Working Visit by the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat with PAC in regard to the Progress of the Construction Project of the Second Generation Patrol Ship – Littoral Combat Ship (LCS)

- The PAC has conducted an official working visit with the Speaker of the Dewan Rakyat, H.E. Tan Sri Dato' Johari bin Abdul to the Bousted Naval Shipyard (BNS), Royal Malaysian Navy's Base in Lumut, Perak on 5 October 2023.
- H.E. Tan Sri Dato' Johari bin Abdul and the PAC have heard the briefing on the Progress of the Construction Project of the Second Generation Patrol Ship – Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) from First Admiral Ir. Ts. Franklin Jeyasekhar Joseph, Director General of the RMN LCS Project Team and Captain (R) Ir. Azhar Jumaat, BNS Chief Executive Officer (CEO).
- 3. As previously informed, the Progress Report on the Construction Project of the Second Generation Patrol Ship – Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) for the Royal Malaysian Navy, under the Ministry of Defence for the period of October 2022 until May 2023 will be tabled in the Dewan Rakyat on 9 October 2023, Monday.

4. As mentioned by H.E. Tan Sri Dato' Johari bin Abdul, the PAC Report

on the Construction Project of the Second Generation Patrol Ship – Littoral

Combat Ship (LCS) for the Royal Malaysian Navy, under the Ministry of

Defence for the period of October 2022 until May 2023 will be debated in

the Third Meeting of the Dewan Rakyat that is scheduled to convene on 9

October 2023 until 30 November 2023. The PAC welcomes the move as it

proves that the Parliament is taking a proactive measure as a check and

balance institution over the Executive/Government.

5. This is a historical event for both Parliament and PAC because, for the first

time the report issued by this Committee will be debated compared to

before, where the PAC report was only tabled.

6. I will discuss further with H.E. Tan Sri Dato' Johari bin Abdul on the

mechanism of the debate of the PAC reports. For example, the motion for

debate and winding-up session of the Auditor-General's Report (LKAN)

during the Second Meeting from 6 and 7 June 2023 were conducted by

Ministers respective to each LKAN issue that has been raised.

7. However, my opinion is that it is necessary that PAC reports are tabled and

winded up by the Chairman and Members of the PAC.

Thank you.

Hon. Datuk Wira Mas Ermieyati binti Samsudin

Chairman of PAC